FROM-Praxair, Inc.

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.: 10/643,986 Group Art Unit: 1753

Inventor: P. McDonald Filed: August 20, 2003

Title: METHOD OF TREATING SPUTTERING

TARGET TO REDUCE BURN-IN TIME AND SPUTTERING TARGET THEREOF

AND APPARATUS THEREOF

Examiner: S. Versteeg

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEES

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## (A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the above-identified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

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	(1)	Original Period for Response was	Set to Expire on:	
		1/11/06 (Month/Day/Year)	-	
	(2)	Statutory Period Expires	4/11/06 (Month/Day/Year)	
Exten above		now requested (NOT TO EXCEED	STATUTORY PERIOD) is for t	he following period of time from date (1)
		One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Credit is requested for prior extens	sion fees paid	\$ 570.00 \$ 450.00 \$ 1020.00 \$1,590.00 \$
<b>(B)</b>		Additional Fee for Response filed herewith:  Amendment (additional claims)  Notice of Appeal Appeal Brief  Declaration		\$500,00 \$130.00
(C)	<u>Tota</u>	l Fee for this Petition and any Resp	onse filed herewith:	
	The	total fee, in the amount of \$1020.00	), is to be charged to Deposit Acc	ount No. 16-2440.

Please charge any additional fee which may be required for this Petition and/or Response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-2440. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for the convenience of the Finance Branch.

Respectfully submitted,

Praxair, Inc. Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113 Dated: April 7, 2006 Our Ref.: D-21,295

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